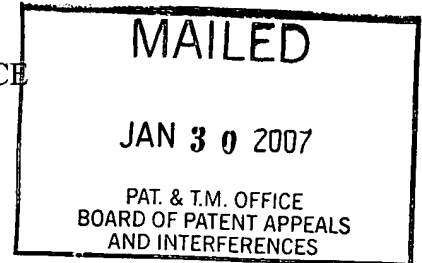


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**ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL**

On November 29, 2005, appellants filed a Notice of Appeal. On January 16, 2007, appellants filed a communication requesting that this application be withdrawn.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the appeal filed November 29, 2005, is dismissed.

The application is being returned to the examiner for further action as may be appropriate.

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